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Applicant submits a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement for U.S. Patent No. 6,358,569 B1; Warby et al. WO 00/1263; and Warby et al. WO 97/18146; however, Applicant submits that these references are inapplicable as against the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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